

MENTOR MICHIGAN DIRECTORY

CHIPPEWA COUNTY

This listing for Chippewa County is organized first by programs that serve the entire county, and second by programs serving a specific city within this county. The cities are listed alphabetically.

COUNTY-WIDE

United Way Volunteer Center of Chippewa County

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Program Description:

Volunteer Centers recruit, train, and place volunteers in nonprofit organizations throughout their service area. They are inclusive, serving all nonprofits and residents—they do not limit their service to a particular issue, group of people, or type of activity. Michigan's Volunteer Centers are all prepared to assist mentors find organizations where they can volunteer. Volunteer Centers often take a leadership position in convening organizations and individuals to find solutions to complex community issues. They live their belief that people enrich their own lives and strengthen their communities through volunteer service.

COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Sault Ste. Marie

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Program Description:

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Sault Ste. Marie provides mentoring for elementary, middle, and high school youth in Chippewa County. BBBS has one-on-one, peer, group, and e-mentoring programs that take place in school or community-based settings. The screening process includes home visits, background checks, and an interviews with the youth, parents, and prospective mentors. BBBS facilitates initial meetings between mentors and mentees, maintains regular contact, and evaluates mentors and mentees progress. The program has bi-monthly activities and community service opportunities for mentors and mentees. Volunteers are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves a minimum of one hour per week during day, evening, or weekend hours.

ExperienceSeniorPower.com

Tony Fama

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Program Description:

Through ExperienceSeniorPower.com, children and senior citizens learn computer and job skills together. Children receive an adult role model through these "adoptive grandparent" relationships and seniors have the opportunity to contribute their life experience and knowledge. This program includes one-on-one, group, team, and e-mentoring activities. Senior volunteers are expected to make a one year commitment during morning, afternoon, or weekend hours.

COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED

Michigan Youth Leadership Forum

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Program Description:

The Michigan Youth Leadership Forum involves 35 high school students that have disabilities. The students are integrated with other students and adults with disabilities to learn leadership, social skills, and citizenship. The program involves one-on-one, team, and peer mentoring and takes place during one week during the summer. The program is managed by the Michigan Commission on Disability Concerns. Volunteers are expected to commit to one full week in the summer and follow up activities.